

FAASTeam presents:

# Why Get an Instrument Rating?

Why get an instrument rating? This question is nearly as old as flying itself. At first glance, the work required to get an instrument rating might seem to be more than it is worth. Indeed, the overwhelming majority of private pilots do not get instrument ratings. So, what, then, is the case for and against making the commitment of time, resources and effort necessary to take and pass the instrument checkride? Come and tap the knowledge of this highly experienced instrument flight instructor as he takes you through the various pro's and con's of instrument training. Here you will learn...• Why instrument training is required• What is required to obtain an instrument rating• What such training allows you to do...and not do• How an instrument rating enhances the safety, practicality and enjoyment of your private pilot privileges—even when you are not flying IFR• How instrument training will enhance the quality of your control of the airplane—in all flying conditions• Why instrument training can improve the 'ride' you provide to your passengers• Why most insurance companies require an instrument rating of any pilot to be insured in many high-performance aircraft• How the use of an Advanced Training Device (aka 'simulator') can reduce the cost of your instrument training while improving performance and safety in normal and

## Event Details

**Thu, Jan 9, 2014 - 7:00 pm**  
**Trade Winds Aviation / Reid-Hillview Airport**  
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emergency conditions• Most of all, why having an instrument rating is so much \*fun\*!

**Directions:** On Hwy 680 exit onto Capital Expressway. Travel SE on Capital. At Cunningham Ave (3rd light) turn Right. Trade Winds Aviation is ahead on the Right, the Terminal Building to the Left.

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